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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ENERGIZER S.A.,

Plaintiff,

- against -

M/V YM GREEN, her engines, boilers and tackle *in rem.*; YANG MING MARINE TRANSPORT CORP.; YANGMING (UK) LTD.; ALL OCEANS TRANSPORTATION INC.; KAWASAKI KISEN KAISHA LTD.; CONTERM HONG KONG LTD.; VANGUARD LOGISTICS SERVICES HONG KONG LTD.; FIEGE GOTH CO., LTD.; and SHENZHEN HIGH POWER TECHNOLOGY CO. LTD.

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DEFENDANT ALL OCEANS TRANSPORTATION, INC.'s ANSWER TO CROSS-CLAIMS OF DEFENDANT FIEGE LTD.

Defendants.

Defendant All Oceans Transportation, Inc., answering the cross-claims of defendant Fiege Ltd. (said to be formerly known as and sued herein as Fiege Goth Co. Ltd.) alleges upon information and belief as follows:

ANSWER TO FIRST CROSS-CLAIM

- 1. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in paragraph 1.
 - 2. Admits the allegations of paragraph 2.
 - 3. Denies the allegations of paragraph 3.

4. Denies the allegations of paragraph 4.

ANSWER TO SECOND CROSS-CLAIM

- 1. Denies knowledge of information sufficient to form a belief as of the truth of the allegations of paragraph 1.
 - 2. Admits the allegations of paragraph 2.
 - 3. Denies the allegations of paragraph 3.
 - 4. Denies the allegations of paragraph 4.
 - 5. Denies the allegations of paragraph 5.

AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The shipments in question were carried from Hong Kong to Basel, Switzerland via Hamburg, Germany pursuant to defendant K-Line bill of lading contracts and were, therefore, subject to the Hague Visby Rules.

All Oceans Transportation, Inc. claims the benefit of all exceptions, exemptions and limitations contained in the Hague Visby Rules and K-Line bill of lading to the full extent they may be applicable to them.

AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The shipments in question were carried pursuant to bills of lading issued by defendant K-Line and, upon information and belief, pursuant to bills of lading issued by underlying defendant Non Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC) bills of lading.

All Oceans Transportation Inc. claims the benefit of all exceptions, exemptions and limitations contained in any bills of lading issued by any VOCC or NVOCC defendants pursuant to which this cargo was carried on the basis of the Himalaya Clauses contained in such bills of lading to the full extent such provisions may be applicable to them.

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AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Any damage that was caused to plaintiff's cargo was the direct result of an act, fault or neglect of plaintiff, its agents, suppliers, contractors, affiliates or subsidiaries and in regard to the manufacture, stowage, shifting, shipment, securing or packaging of the cargo in question.

AS AND FOR A FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

All Oceans Transportation, Inc. is not liable under the Hague or Hague Visby Rules for any loss or damage to plaintiff's cargo as alleged in the complaint since the alleged loss or damage occurred as a result of fire and such fire was not caused by the actual fault or privity of All Oceans Transportation, Inc.

AS AND FOR A FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The cargoes in question were shipped pursuant to a bill of lading contract issued by defendant K-Line which bill of lading provides that all actions and claims brought pursuant to such bill of lading shall be brought in the courts sitting in Tokyo, Japan.

All claims against All Oceans Transportation, Inc. should be dismissed in favor of jurisdiction in Japan.

AS AND FOR A SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The shipments in question moved from Hong Kong to Basel, Switzerland via Hamburg on a foreign flag vessel pursuant to bills of lading issued by a Japanese carrier and therefore the instant action has no connection whatsoever with the Southern District of New York and should be dismissed on the basis of forum non-conveniens.

AS AND FOR A SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

At all relevant times, the vessel YM GREEN was under a bareboat charter party to which All Oceans Transportation, Inc. was the registered owner. Therefore, All Oceans Transportation, Inc. cannot, as a matter of law, have any liability.

AS AND FOR AN EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

This Court lacks personal jurisdiction over All Oceans Transportation, Inc.

Dated: New York, New York April 8, 2008

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY REGULAR U.S. MAIL AND BY ECF

The undersigned declares under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

- 1. I am over the age of eighteen years and I am not a party to this action.
- 2. On April 8, 2008, I served a complete copy of Defendant All Oceans Transportation, Inc.'s Answer to Cross-Claims of Defendant Fiege Ltd., by regular U.S. mail and by ECF, to the following attorneys at their ECF registered address and mailing address:

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